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# GEORGE ST. TO GREENE ST.

*CofC students take refuge at USC*



“We’re going to stick together.”

– Mary Watkins, CofC student

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As the campus empties of USC students, its residence halls opened for those seeking refuge from Hurricane Matthew. Wednesday afternoon on Greene Street, buses arrived carrying about 50 students from the College of Charleston who left their campus following Gov. Nikki Haley’s order for the evacuation of coastal residents. She called for Charleston and Beaufort counties to begin evacuating residents and visitors before 3 p.m. Wednesday, but the College of Charleston students were told they had to be out of dorms by 9 a.m. For most, the decision to leave was a quick one. They signed up Tuesday evening for a spot on the bus, which they thought was heading to Clemson. “We didn’t find out it was going to be here until this morning at, like, 10,” College of Charleston student Bree Lewis said. They waited hours in Charleston

Wednesday morning before getting onto the bus around 11:30 a.m. The trip that normally takes two hours took them almost four. As the guests arrived, they



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were greeted by cheering Student Government leaders. “Our home is your home,” the university tweeted. They came single-file off the bus, most with a duffel bag or two. Some carried bulging trash bags. They were led into the Russell House Ballroom as a staging ground and gathered around the edges of the room with small piles of possessions, awaiting direction. Lewis, Laura Cergol, Ashley De

Peri, Mary Watkins and Annika Liger stood in a circle. All seniors, they’ve been friends since freshman year. The past 24 hours had been a rush. “Monday, all of our professors were like, ‘Class might be canceled Friday,’” Watkins said. “And then Tuesday ... all hell broke loose.” A university employee was herding students in groups of 15 to be taken to Patterson for room assignments. She asked three of them to join the first group. “We’re trying to stay together,” De Peri said, resisting. Someone came around with vouchers to get on-campus meals throughout their stay on USC’s campus, at this point planned to last at least until Sunday. They made tired small talk for a few minutes until the call came for the next group, and then they follow a Student Government representative back out of Russell and to University Housing at the Patterson residence hall.

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# Hurricane may test battered infrastructure

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With rain and heavy winds forecast for this weekend, Hurricane Matthew poses yet another natural threat to South Carolinian homes, businesses and, potentially, lives. However, the state is still recovering from last year’s flooding resulting from an off-shoot of Hurricane Joaquin that bombarded the Eastern United States and Atlantic Canada. With thousands of homes

still in need of repair and dozens of dams left open across the state, one question demands to be answered: What has been done in the past year? The S.C. Department of Commerce released an action plan on July 19 for ongoing disaster recovery efforts within the state. The 180-page document determined that about \$518 million in necessary recovery funds had still gone unmet over the nine months after the 1,000-

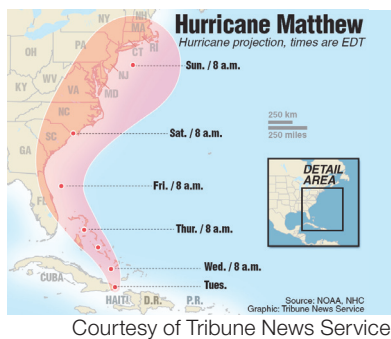
year flood. Unmet needs in housing sector alone remain about \$522 million. (An almost \$19 million surplus in economic recovery funds affected the total.) While government action has stalled, some grassroots efforts have made progress. Earlier this week, United Way of the Midlands announced a new campaign entitled Restoring Hope, which aims to repair 250 homes in the Midlands



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The effects of last year’s flooding are still felt throughout the Midlands.

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Hurricane Matthew

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## IN BRIEF

### Townville victim laid to rest

Jacob Hall, the six-year-old killed in a shooting at a South Carolina elementary school, was honored with a superhero-themed funeral Wednesday, The State reports. The service was held at a Baptist church in Townville, and many participants wore T-shirts saying “TEAM JACOB.” Gov. Nikki Haley attended the service wearing a Batman pin in the midst of evacuations along the South Carolina coast due to Hurricane Matthew. She was still wearing the pin at a later press conference on the storm.

— Compiled by T. Michael Boddie, News Editor

### Man punches deputy during traffic stop

A North Carolina man was arrested on Interstate 20 for punching a deputy and then fleeing the scene, WIS reports. Rico Levern Ross is accused of going 105 mph in a 70 mph zone, punching the officer that pulled him over and then fleeing toward Richland County before surrendering at a Bojangles. He faces an assault and battery charge as well as resisting arrest, driving under suspension, open carry and failure to stop for a blue light.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

### Presidential debate airing at local theaters

Two Columbia-area movie theaters will show Sunday’s debate between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump for free, the Free Times reports. The second debate between the two presidential hopefuls will air at Regal Entertainment Group theaters at Columbiana Grande and Sandhill. Sunday is a town-hall style debate broadcast from Washington University in St. Louis kicking off at 9 p.m.

— Compiled by Mary Ramsey, News Editor

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Students waited patiently to check in surrounded by their suitcases, pillows and other items.

“I did bring one computer,” said Derek Talisman, a computer science student at the college. He left his others

behind.

They knew nothing of what residence hall they would go to or with whom they’d be staying.

Housing employees passed clipboards around with paperwork to be filled out and signed — they all had to officially apply for USC housing. Another line awaited, and then they were told where

they’d be sleeping.

Three of the senior friends were assigned to stay in Patterson. Then De Peri walked up — she’d gotten Sims. They had to split up.

The evacuees dispersed to their temporary rooms around 5:30 p.m. Some occupy vacant rooms, while others were paired with Resident Mentors

who don’t have roommates. Liger said that she, Watkins and Lewis are each staying with RMs.

After depositing their bags into their assigned rooms, the College of Charleston students congregated at Russell House for dinner. Lewis sat with Watkins and Liger on a bench outside Russell, waiting for

Cergol and De Peri to join them.

“We’re going to stick together,” Watkins said.

In the wake of troubling weather and uncertainty, the students calmly absorbed the change of scenery.

“It’s better than sitting in a hurricane,” Watkins said.

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area through the fall of 2017. According to the campaign website, 1,200 households in Richland and Lexington counties are still in need of restoration.

Outside the Columbia area, Eight Days of Hope, a non-profit organization based in Mississippi, announced plans to repair hundreds of homes in Kingstree, Andrews and Georgetown in early October.

Williamsburg County, in which Kingstree and Andrews reside, was arguably the most devastated in the state by the 2015 floods. Last October, the Black River rose to nearly twice its flood level, cresting at a record 22.65 feet in Kingstree on Oct. 7, 2015. The ensuing floodwaters damaged 28 percent of county housing units seriously enough to qualify their owners for federal aid, according the Department of Commerce.

Public information

officer Jeff Singleton of the Williamsburg County Emergency Management Division confirmed Tuesday that Eight Days of Hope will begin construction on Oct. 8.

As the Columbia area is framed by the Congaree River and Lake Murray, Richland County dams were also heavily tested by last October’s flood.

However, should Hurricane Matthew bring torrential rainfall to the Midlands, many county dams that stood in

2015 will not be tested at all. They haven’t been repaired.

According to the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, last year’s flood caused 51 dam breaches statewide, including 19 in Richland County. Since last October, the DHEC has assessed all of South Carolina’s high and significant hazard dams and begun issuing permits for repairs. The DHEC’s Dam Safety Program also added 14 full-

time members to its staff last month.

But as Hurricane Matthew nears the Atlantic coast, only four of the 51 dams breached statewide last October have been fully repaired. Three within Richland County are still awaiting initial approval for repairs.

A representative of DHEC declined comment Tuesday, but referred to the organization website for further information.

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campaign’s are stretching the truth.

**League of Women Voters**

Don’t let this organization’s name fool you. No matter what gender you identify as, the League of Women Voters is a helpful resource. Their efforts on voter education can help you get registered to vote. They also provide guides for watching debates and partner with Vote411 to provide valuable information on state and local elections.

**U.S. Election Assistance Commission**

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission is the federal government’s very own comprehensive resource for voters. It offers voter guides and information on getting registered to vote in every state and territory. The site can even help you learn how to volunteer at your local polling place on election day.

**Campus Election Engagement Project**

**Campus Election Engagement Project** is another site geared just for college-age voters. One of its core focuses is helping students and universities to get people involved

in the election on their campuses. It also offers non-partisan voting guides to help students learn what candidates believe on the issues that matter most to younger voters.

**HeadCount**

HeadCount is a non-profit that looks to combine music with civic action. It offers information on finding your polling place, getting registered and navigating voter ID laws as well as provide volunteer opportunities to help young people get even more involved. In addition, it also puts on concerts and festivals that let you get informed

while watching an eclectic mix of music.

**Ballotpedia**

Ballotpedia is basically a Wiki for American politics. While it’s actually more reliable than your average Wikipedia page — it has a full staff and is funded by a reputable non-profit — the easy to read and understand concept is still there. You can get a lot of information about federal and state candidates and policies to help you make informed decisions.

**Candidate websites**

Candidates’ campaign websites can be a mixed bag for voters looking to get

informed. The information is usually slanted to make the candidate look good, so it often has to be taken with a grain of salt. But many sites also offer a good layout of the candidate’s policies and plans if you can look past the political fluff.

**Party websites**

Political parties’ websites work a lot like candidates’ websites. There’s a whole lot of propagandizing going on, but they also have valuable information. Parties’ sites let you see their platforms, which literally include all the policy positions that members of the parties agreed on.





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new friends for Alpert. Early on in the project, he connected with other members of Student Government to get help.

Second-year environmental studies and global studies student Reghan Murphy, who serves as the organization’s director of campus outreach, first heard of Lead the Way when she was partnered with Alpert for a “get to know you” exercise at an Student Government retreat.

“I’m really interested in politics and in the democratic process...” she said. “So when he mentioned it I jumped onto the opportunity.”

Murphy’s job is focused on reaching out to other student organizations to get them involved. This meant she was heavily involved in this year’s biggest event: National Voter Registration Day. Murphy, her team and volunteer coordinator Alex Royle ended up bringing in more than 100 volunteers to 11 registration sites.

“We just tabled all day,” Murphy recalled with a chuckle.

At the end of the day, Lead the Way had met and surpassed their goal of registering 500 students by registering 2,306 people. That was a new record for single-day registering on a college campus.

Second-year broadcast student Kathryn Stoudemire also heard about Lead the Way through Alpert’s Student Government

connections. She’s now the organization’s director of marketing and argues the leadership team’s close-knit relationship is what makes the group so successful.

“The Lead the Way team is truly a family that really cares about what we’re doing,” she said.

Although the USC team goes way back and does work with other USC organizations like Students Invested in Change, an unlikely ally has helped to really take the group to the next level.

Fourth-year political science student Maggie Ambrose is poised to take over national leadership of the group. She’s also a student at Clemson.

Her branch has registered more than 1,000 students, and they’re planning a major push during the Tigers’ homecoming celebrations.

“We work very closely with the USC branch of Lead The Way,” she said. “We keep each other updated on numbers and events weekly. It’s a pleasure to work with their team and keep up the friendly rivalry.”

The two branches have also been able to put that rivalry to good use. They’ll announce the results of what Alpert calls a “friendly competition” to see who registered more students. The winner will be announced on the field at this year’s Carolina-Clemson game.

And one thing Alpert and Ambrose have in common is that they want the

voters they register to also be informed about the issue. USC’s chapter has taken on that challenge by organizing a series of informational panels. Each forum focuses on a topic relevant to younger voters and involves an expert panel.

This semester’s topics included climate change, the economy, human and civil rights, women in politics, media and politics and national security. They drew panelists from many of USC’s own schools such as Charles Bierbauer, the dean of the College of Information and Communication, and experts from inside the Capital Beltway such as POLITICO reporter Hadas Gold.

Alpert says the panels have “given community members a space to learn more about some of the most important issues in the election.”

As election day draws closer, Lead the Way is also in transition. They’re working on an election night viewing party with Student Government, and Alpert is looking to take his push for on-campus polling locations and increased access all the way to the General Assembly.

Stoudemire acknowledges there’s a lot more work to be done.

“Simply stated, I don’t think we’re doing enough,” she said. “It is important to start teaching children at a young age how crucial it is to vote, and how vital it is to our society.”

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Lead the Way’s pre-election forums gave studnets a chance to learn about issues relevant to college age voters.

# Lead the Way fights voter apathy

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Voter apathy is a common criticism of today’s college students. Indeed, one study found that just 45.7 percent of USC students voted in the last presidential election in 2012. But one organization on USC’s campus is looking to turn the tide by getting students involved and getting them informed on the issues facing the state, nation and world this election cycle.

Last February, the group was just beginning at the University of South Carolina as the brainchild of fourth-year sociology and Russian student Cory Alpert. Today, Lead the Way is nationally

recognized by groups such as DemocracyWorks, working on 16 campuses in five states and a national flagship partner of National Voter Registration Day.

Alpert describes the group as “a student-led voter registration and civic engagement initiative.” Over the course of this semester, they’ve organized registration drives at events all over campus, such as Gamecock soccer games, and registered thousands of students. They also have a partnership with Turbovote to maintain a personalized registration site for USC students.

Getting to this point involved the help of old and

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# 10 RESOURCES FOR YOUNG VOTERS

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## Rock the Vote

Rock the Vote is a project dedicated to driving up the youth vote in America. Its website offers portals to help you register to vote and verify your registration in every state and territory. It also has a comprehensive list of every states’ deadlines for registering to vote, requesting absentee ballots and submitting absentee ballots.

## Youtube’s How to Vote in Every State

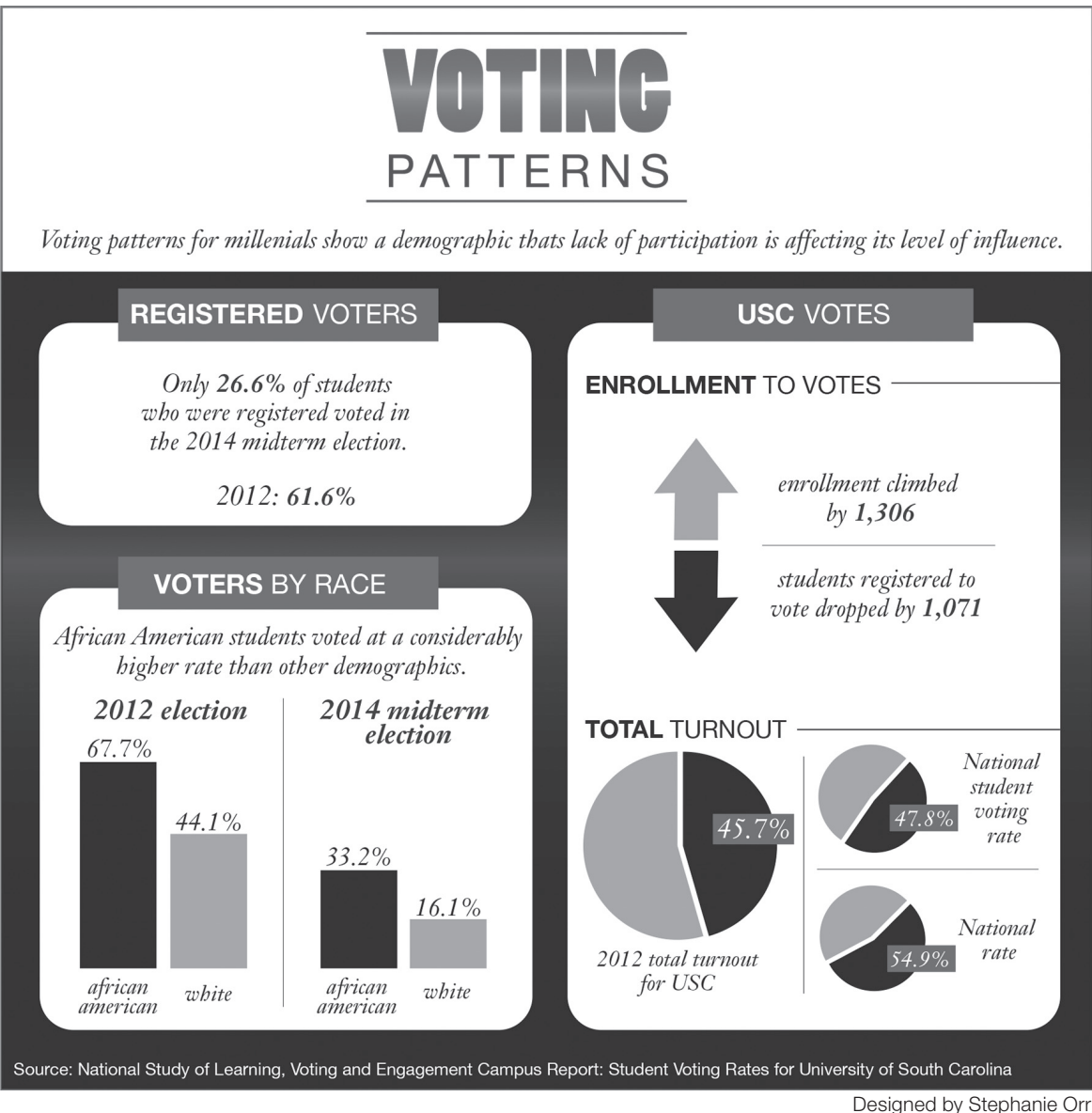
One of the most confusing things for newer voters can be that every state has different rules and regulations when it comes to registering to vote and other aspects of the election process. Youtube is looking to remedy that this election cycle with a series of videos, one for each state, detailing the individual processes. The videos’ descriptions even come with lots of links to various forms and portals for each state.

## Politifact

Cutting through all the spin to learn what candidates records and plans really mean can be a major headache. While The Tampa Bay Times’ fact-checking site Politifact isn’t perfect, the Pulitzer Prize-winning project can be a big asset in this fight. It goes through candidates’ speeches, campaign ads and debate performances to find out what’s true and rate how much

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# Study shows decrease in voting at USC



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USC students may not be likely to vote as in previous years, according to a study compiled at Tufts University.

Founded in 2013, the National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement uses voting records to study democratic trends on American college campuses. The study draws from a database of over 7.5 million voting records from 850 institutions in 48 states. The study arranges voting trends by demographics such as race, age, gender and field of study.

The USC campus report revealed that 46 percent of students took part in the 2012 presidential election and 18 percent took part in the 2014 midterm elections. The same report recorded average voting rates of 48 percent and 19 percent in the 2012 and 2014 elections, respectively.

And a deeper look at the report shows a troubling

trend: Undergraduate students, who are in the majority at USC, are voting significantly less often than the rest of the student body. In fact, students aged 18-21 vote the least-often of the six age groups assembled in the study.

In the 2014 midterm elections, only 13 percent of all enrolled undergraduates cast ballots, well below the graduate figure of 28 percent. As a whole, undergraduate votes accounted for only about 60 percent of the 5,469 votes cast by USC students in 2014. At the time, undergraduates comprised approximately three-quarters of USC’s student population.

By comparison, 777 of the 1,398 USC students aged 40 and older voted in the 2014 midterms — about 56 percent.

The NSLVE report also found that fewer USC students are registering to vote. Between 2012 and 2014, the number of registered voters at USC dropped


by 1,071 as enrollment increased by 1,306 over the same period. The number of students deemed ineligible to vote — non-resident aliens and individuals under the age of 18 — increased by only 44.

In May, NPR reported that the number of eligible voters aged 18 to 35 nearly equaled that of the baby boomer generation. About 70 million millennials were listed as eligible to vote, about equal to the number of eligible baby boomers.

In 2012, incumbent President Barack Obama held the Oval Office with 62 percent of the electoral vote. The president did so with a winning margin in the popular vote of just under five million.

The study’s findings come at an critical time for young adult voters, as the young vote is projected to play an important role in deciding next month’s presidential election.

# How to vote in USC’s top five states



South Carolina


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**Registration Deadline: Oct. 8**

The Palmetto States allows you to register to vote online. All you need is your driver’s license or a state issued ID. You can also register to vote in person at your home county or mail, fax or email a form.

**Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Nov. 4**

If you’re unable to travel back to your hometown on election day to vote at your polling place, you can vote absentee. You can do so in person at your county voter registration office, and if you do that option you have to follow all photo ID laws. The most common way to vote absentee is to vote by mail. You can get the request form online and can mail it in until four days before the election. A ballot will then be mailed to you, and you have till 7 p.m. on election day to return it.




Virginia

**Registration Deadline: Oct. 17**

Virginia residents can register to vote online. You can also do so in person at various locations including public libraries and the DMV or mail in a form.

**Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Nov. 1**

Virginia Gamecocks can also request their absentee ballot online. You can also email, fax or mail in your request form. The ballot will then be mailed to you.



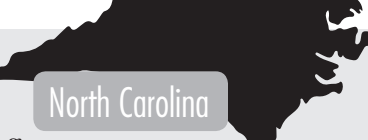
New Jersey

**Registration Deadline: Oct. 18**

Jersey residents need to complete the appropriate registration form for their county. That form can then be mailed to your county’s election official.

**Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Nov. 1**

The Garden State refers to absentee voting as simply voting by mail. Just like when registering to vote, you need to complete the form for your county. College students have to mail in the form to their county clerk rather than email or fax.




North Carolina

**Registration Deadline: Oct. 14**

Registering to vote in the Tar Heel State requires you to fill out a form. If this is your first time registering to vote or you’re changing your political party, you have to mail in the form so they have your original signature.

**Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Nov. 1**

You also have to complete a form to request an absentee ballot if you can’t make it to you’re polling place on Nov. 8. But this form can always be mailed in, faxed or emailed. Your ballot materials will then be mailed to you.



Maryland

**Registration Deadline: Oct. 18**

Maryland also has an online voter registration system. You also have the option to complete a form and mail it in to either the State Board of Elections or your county.

**Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Nov. 4**

If you have a Maryland driver’s license or state issued ID you can request your absentee ballot online using the state’s voter registration system. You can also submit the application by email, fax or by mail.



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# Where they lead, fans will follow

## Coffee event draws ‘Gilmore Girls’ fans to Vista



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Netflix converted The Wired Goat and many other coffee shops nationwide into Luke's Diner from the popular show “Gilmore Girls” in promotion for the revival of the series on Nov. 25.

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When “Gilmore Girls” went off the air in 2007, fans were disappointed but the popular series is getting a reboot through Netflix. To generate hype for the show, Netflix converted 250 coffee shops around the U.S. on Wednesday, including The Wired Goat Café in the Vista, into Luke’s Diner, the

frequent stop and hangout for the titular Gilmores and the residents of their small town, Stars Hollow. The Wired Goat and Netflix didn’t go as far as to bring in quirky locals like those of Stars Hollow or hire a brooding intellectual to half-heartedly wait tables like Luke’s nephew and fan-favorite Jess, but the excitement of the customers and the promise of free coffee were enough to satisfy fans. Some waited longer

than a Stars Hollow town meeting. The event began at seven and lasted until noon. Two hundred cups of free coffee were passed out — all outfitted with the signature Luke’s logo and quotes from the series. One cup quoted a popular line that Lorelai Gilmore, a self-proclaimed coffee addict, spouted in season one: “Coffee please, with a shot of cynicism.” Second-year business student

Sara Strathmann said she had been waiting in line “a little over two hours,” she said. “We got here at seven.” Even though the wait was long, Strathmann was pleased with everything. “It’s pretty worth the wait ... I’m definitely happy with all the signs and the cup and everything,” she said.

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## Review: ‘Luke Cage’ historically, socially important



Courtesy of Netflix Media

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Marvel’s “Luke Cage” debuted on Netflix last weekend, marking the Marvel Cinematic Universe’s first movie or show with a black lead character. Focusing on the titular character’s attempts to save Harlem from corruption, “Luke Cage” proves the power of even a reluctant hero. Starring Mike Colter, Columbia native and USC alumnus, Netflix’s series follows the same basic formula as the previous Marvel programs but

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## ‘Marked by the Water’ reflects impact of Columbia’s historic flood



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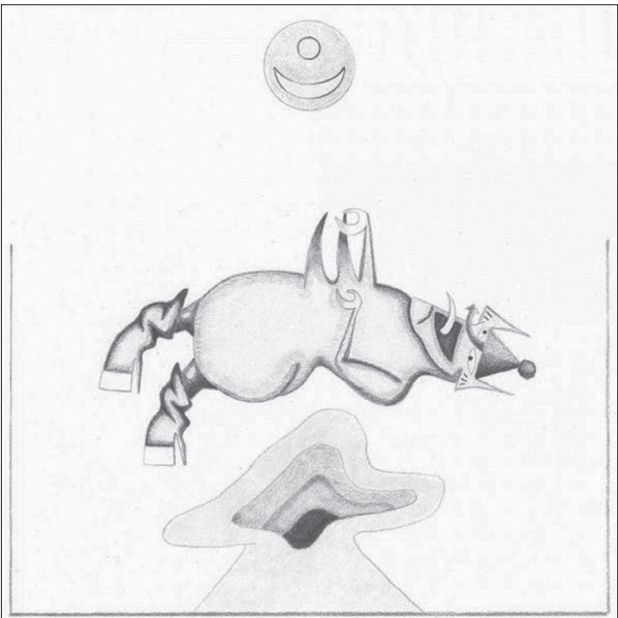
The event represented the flood through art forms such as poetry, dance and film.

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The “Marked by Water” exhibit, made to remember last year’s flood through a mixture of visual art, spoken word, film and dance, premiered at the Tapps Art Center on Oct. 4. The flood last year was an event of epic proportions and is nicknamed the “1000 year flood.” The premiere for this exhibit came on the eve of another storm, Hurricane Matthew. A main theme of the exhibit is the need to remember. Paul Brown, a poet at the event, spoke about what art means to him. “I think the creative ways of understanding, representing a

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## Banhart album a melodious journey



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“Ape in Pink Marble”

Release Date: Sept. 23

Label: Nonesuch Records

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When Devendra Banhart began releasing music in 2002, the San Francisco-based artist first introduced his atmospheric symphonies to the outside world. Now, 14 years later, he has released his 10th album, entitled “Ape in Pink Marble.” Since

its release on Sept. 23, the record has garnered lots of attention, more so than any previous albums. In relation to his past work, “Ape in Pink Marble” blends the sparse soundscape of his 2005 masterpiece, “Cripple Crow,” with the sonic holism of his latest 2013 work, “Mala,” and the listener is none the wiser. The album exhibits a certain level of diversity in feeling among its tracks, too. Songs like “Middle Names,” “Jon Lends a Hand” and “Theme for a Taiwanese Woman in

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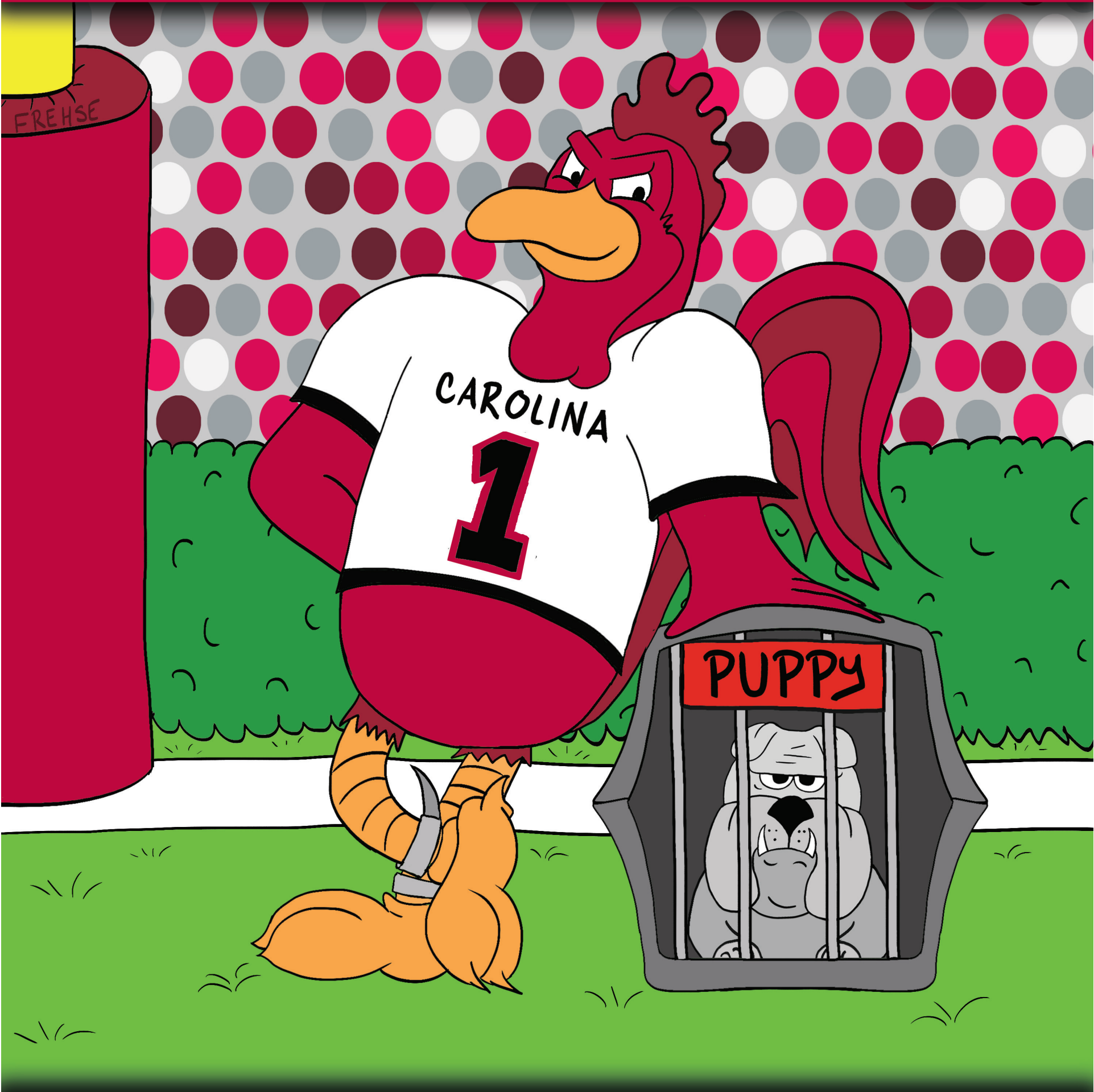


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“Gilmore Girls” fans waited for hours to get in The Wired Goat, which was remodeled as Luke’s Diner.

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“I always loved the show, so it’s very cool that, after watching all of it and kind of having a break ... this kind of brings it all back,” student Addison Love said.

The event garnered considerable social media attention and brought out a sizable crowd, which The Wired Goat employee John Dawkins said they weren’t expecting, but

were definitely pleased by.

Dawkins said the employees were “definitely excited to be a part of this.”

Around the café, signs were posted demanding “no cell phones,” a tribute to the Luddite qualities of the diner’s owner — Luke. Many people also wore flannel and baseball hats as homage to Luke, who is one of Lorelai Gilmore’s main love interests.

Fans are already re-watching

the series and listening to “Hep Alien” in preparation for the revival, which premieres Nov. 25 on Netflix. Most of the speculation around the revival is centered on what the last four words of the series will be. Mason thinks it will be from Lorelei, “I love you, Luke.” Whatever the revival brings, entitled “A Year in the Life,” it will be a monumental pop culture event.

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Lime Green” each portray a waxing heart. They tell tales of simple admiration, naïve love and full-on infatuation. Other songs like “Saturday Night” and “Mourner’s Dance” half-stoically retell sardonic stories of a heart waning. Like its predecessors, “Ape in Pink Marble” is a melodious journey. It is one with good fortune, bliss, bad fortune and sorrow.

Moreover, the melodic structure of “Ape” is something to be reveled in. Its tune styles match those of Banhart’s contemporaries, like Radiohead

and Mac Demarco, and this works to his advantage. However, his sound is uniquely his own, and defies his contemporaries as soon as he mirrors them.

His gloomy ballads are juxtaposed with positive synths that bubble to their surfaces. In this way, “Ape in Pink Marble” works to make a commentary on human sensation: that emotions are never through and through. No feeling is complete. This point is perhaps most exemplified in the song “Theme for a Taiwanese Woman in Lime Green,” where Banhart’s scratchy voice echoes, “There is

no one in the world that I love/ And that no one is you.”

Nonetheless, tracks from “Ape in Pink Marble” would work well on playlists that feature the latest hits of Radiohead and Mac Demarco. Other songs similar in sound could be the lighter ones of Glass Animals, the surrealistic odes of Alt-J and anything by Sufjan Stevens.

All in all, “Ape in Pink Marble” fits well into Banhart’s notorious list of cult-followed albums. With that said, it earns an A.

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narrative through visual art or the written word is the way people make sense of events,” Brown said.

“I think art plays a big, a very important role in how we think about the events that affect us,” he said.

For many in the Columbia community, the memory of the flood is still strong. Through this exhibit, the emotions of the community are felt through different perspectives. Whether through an acrylic painting or a poem, all the artists spoke to the same basic emotion in an attempt to build a strong sense of community.

The various artists found their inspiration differently. For poet Bill Higgins, it was in the form of a bucket and water.

“I got a call at 4:30 in the morning from my ex-wife who was bailing water out of her kitchen,” Higgins said.

“We bailed and bailed that morning and there was no way to keep it from flooding and pooling in most of the house,” he said.

One aspect that Higgins mentions in his poem is the repetitive X’s that he saw on houses that were ruined by the flood.

“It was not anything that Columbia had experienced previously. It was a trauma,” Higgins said.

Some other artists also found their motives through what

they witnessed from the flood personally.

“I got a chance to use my eyes and ears and look at the Chinooks in the sky and the sandbag drops,” Worthy Evans, a poet, said.

As a whole, the exhibit was a community building event. Different people with different backgrounds came together to create a tangible response to October’s flood.

As the exhibit is centered on last year’s flood, there was a sense of irony with Hurricane Matthew on the radar.

“It seems ironic,” Higgins said. “We’re commemorating an event of nature when another event of nature is approaching and we, at this time, have no idea about what it’s going to do in South Carolina.”

However, Higgins went on to clarify that South Carolina isn’t the only place that he is concerned about in regards to Hurricane Matthew.

“To me, the real Matthew story is how devastated Haiti is going to be.”

The flood last fall was devastating, but the artists behind the “Marked by the Water” exhibit seek to remind attendees of the strength and dignity that the Columbia community showed through the natural disaster.

The exhibit runs from Oct. 4 to Oct. 28. On Oct. 6 there will be free general admission for First Thursday on Main.

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carves out its very own corner in the MCU with its portrayal of Harlem and the people living there and its focus on black culture.

The show is acutely aware of America’s current civil situation, and many have pointed out the iconic status of a heroic yet hooded African-American impervious to bullets.

“It was important to me that we have a hero that was black — and he didn’t just happen to be black. His identity is a part of him,” said executive producer and showrunner Cheo Hodari Coker.

Although “Luke Cage” makes explicit allusions at times, Mike Colter said, “The show isn’t just Black Lives Matter.”

“That’s not what the whole show is about,” he said. “That being said, it will strike a chord with some people because you can’t help not think about it. The people who are watching will

tell us what having a bulletproof black man means to them.”

While “Luke Cage” starts slow and does not quite reach the heights of other Marvel shows, it is still a compelling series with relevant themes and a setting that many viewers have not experienced.

Luke Cage, then Carl Lucas, was imprisoned for a crime he did not commit and was incidentally given invulnerability and super strength from an experiment gone wrong. Cage decides to become a “Hero for Hire” and starts going by the nickname of Power Man. He eventually teams up with his friend Danny Rand, also known as Iron Fist, who is due for his own Netflix series this March.

This network show isn’t the first time Luke Cage has made history. Although a few black superheroes were created and debuted before him, such as Black Panther in “Fantastic Four #52”

and John Stewart in “Green Lantern #87,” Cage was the first to have his own title.

Introduced in 1972 in “Luke Cage, Hero For Hire” by Archie Goodwin, John Romita Sr. and George Tuska, Cage was meant to capitalize on the sudden emergence and popularity of the “Blaxploitation” genre.

Since the 2000s, Cage has joined The New Avengers, married and fathered a child with Jessica Jones and even led a team of Avengers for a while, thus cementing his importance in the current Marvel Comics.

“Luke Cage” might not have the punch of “Daredevil” or the psychological horror of “Jessica Jones,” but it is certainly worthy of your attention. Marvel has successfully brought one of their most important minority heroes to the screen, and if that doesn’t excite you, then I don’t know what will.

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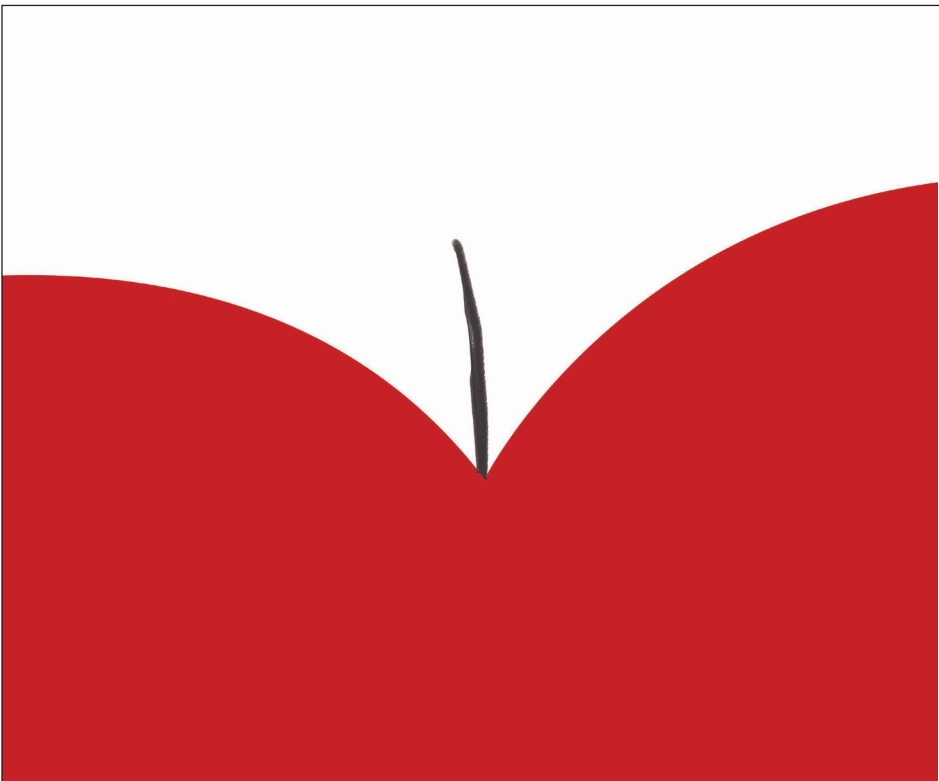
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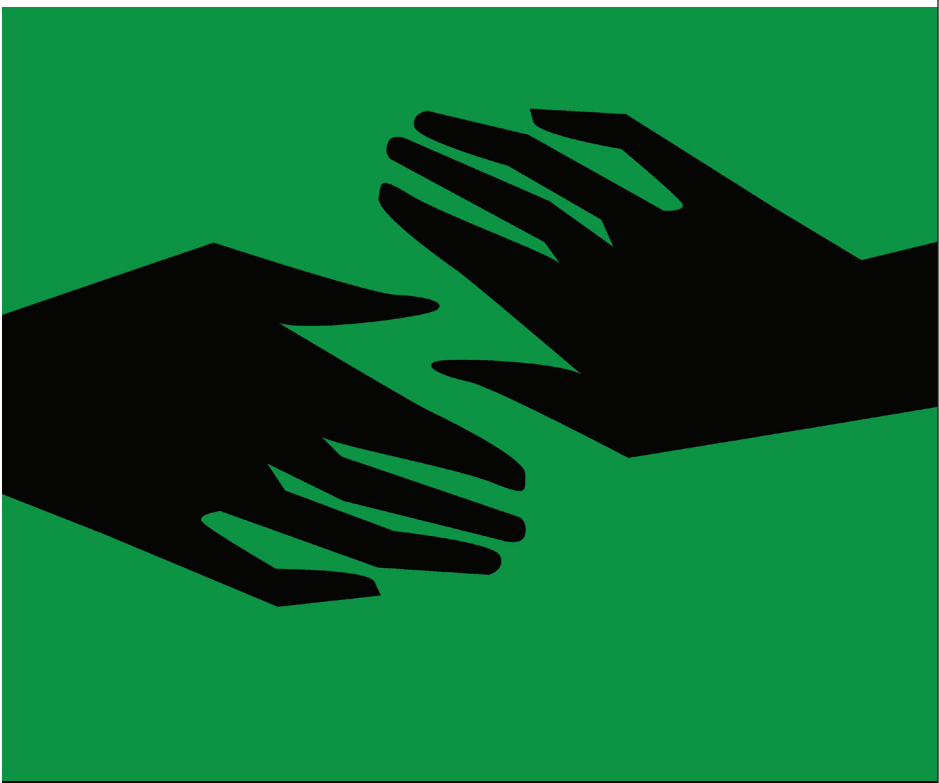
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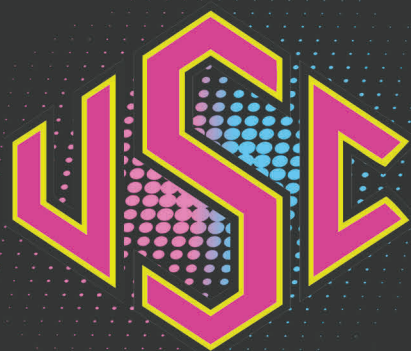


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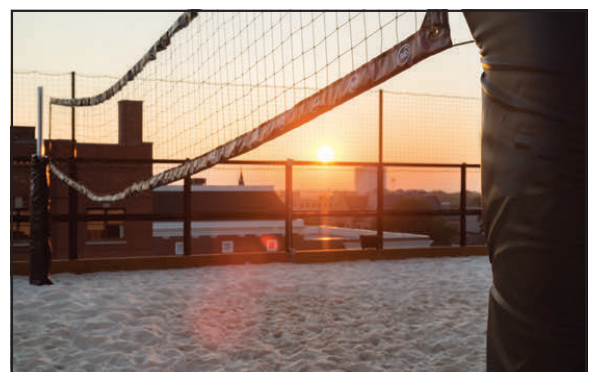
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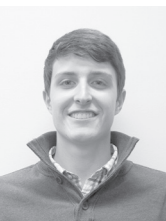


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Head to Head

No



**Andy Wilson**  
Second-year English student

Whether or not you’re a fan of President Obama, it’s hard to argue that he has been a successful president when it comes to foreign policy. Our traditional rival Russia has returned as a major player in Europe and the Middle East, China is asserting its dominance over resource-rich waters legally controlled by Vietnam and the Philippines, the Middle East is embroiled in multiple bloody power struggles, and the self-proclaimed Islamic State has risen from the wreckage of Iraq and Syria to wreak havoc in the region and abroad. I don’t intend to give a blow-by-blow account of what Obama did wrong, but I think the crux of his foreign policy mistakes was to overemphasize ideals and underemphasize practicality.

Theodore Roosevelt famously said to “Speak softly and carry a big stick.” Obama — and those who would follow in his foreign policy footsteps — have mastered the “speak softly” element, but have failed to project the “big stick” that threatens practical action if the speaking fails. America has the world’s most advanced and well-funded military, but Obama has failed to use it as leverage in his interactions with potentially hostile powers. He understandably loathes the idea of getting us into more wars, but, by letting our rivals know this, has created a situation in which they were emboldened to test our thresholds and find out just how much they could get away with.

In the first year of his presidency, Obama famously declared a reset in America’s previously terse relations with Russia. One of the most significant aspects of this reset was to scrap the planned missile defense system in Poland and the Czech Republic that would have acted as a check on Russia. Ideally, the move would have shown the Russians our friendly intentions and convinced them to respond in kind. Instead, Russia interpreted this idealistic generosity as a sign of weakness and willingness to disengage from the region. Rather than the U.S. and Russia moving closer during Obama’s presidency, there was increased separation. Since 2009, Russia has seized Crimea, cultivated an ongoing war in Eastern Ukraine to destabilize the country and supported the Syrian regime with direct military action. America’s relationship with Russia since

Obama shows the failure of foreign policy that sacrifices pragmatism for idealism.

What does foreign policy that sacrifices idealism for pragmatism look like? Russia provides a clear example. They are currently conducting a horrific bombing campaign in the densely populated heart of Aleppo, causing massive loss of life and essential infrastructure. Why? Because doing so is part of their self-serving strategy to prop up Syria’s dictator, Bashar al-Assad, and keep a foothold in the region.

Purely pragmatist leaders are willing to trample on rights and sacrifice thousands of lives to achieve their goals. Purely idealistic leaders, in their single-minded exaltation of rights, end up causing the loss of thousands of lives anyways. For America to succeed in foreign policy, we have to strike a balance between idealism and pragmatism. That means, to give a few examples, tempering the ideal of democracy with the reality that some areas are too sectarian for it to function, the ideal of human rights with the reality that revolution against oppressive governments often leads to worse rights violations and the ideal of welcoming refugees with the reality that it may be dangerous to do so.

Some people question America’s right to interfere with the politics of other nations. Many would brand our foreign policy as a return to arrogant imperialism. I don’t want to get bogged down in American exceptionalism, but I think most people can agree that we should try to do the most good in the world with the resources we have available. While the notion of a country being completely impartial is unrealistic, if America acts only to look after its own interests, we are no different than Russia, China or other national aggressors. We should be concerned about things like ISIS’ genocide against Yazidis, Christians, and Shias, about the Zika epidemic, about violation of national sovereignty in Ukraine, not primarily because these things directly affect American society or our role in the world, but because these are bad things that we can save lives by standing against.

Foreign policy is one area where Trump’s “art of the deal” may serve him well. The Republican presidential nominee is someone who can balance what he would like to get with what he’ll take, or in other words, idealism with pragmatism. America needs a shrewd leader after an era of ineffective idealism in foreign policy.

Yes



**Dan Nelson**  
Second-year public health student

The Iran deal was both one of the most controversial and well-praised moves by the Obama administration. Instead of forcing Iran to discard its nuclear ambitions with a show of arms, the United States managed to keep Iran at the table. The plan’s critics believe that it is a sign of weakness and Iran will be able to subvert the monitoring, create a bomb and still be able to pursue its terror funding throughout the region. Not only is this criticism without merit, it challenges the very concept of diplomacy as an intervention technique. With the memory of the failures in Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan still very present in our minds, why do many still challenge the bloodless success of diplomacy?

Use of diplomatic intervention by the United States has been a key feature of our foreign policy for over 100 years. Some high points include an assortment of nuclear disarmament treaties, the Paris Climate Deal, Nixon’s détente with China and many others. These diplomatic actions and interventions helped to make the world a safer place by limiting and reducing nuclear stockpiles, reopening relationships with world powers and protecting the environment. Some diplomatic initiatives, admittedly, have been failures, but this does not mean they should be thrown to the wayside, particularly if you weigh them against the numerous successes.

Diplomatic interventions aren’t all just treaties and agreements, either. Many can impose serious consequences on nations that are considered to be working against the interests of the United States and our allies. Before there was the Iran deal, there were heavy sanctions placed on them to force them to the negotiating table. These sanctions banned oil imports from Iran and blocked Iranian banks from the global financial system, among other things. In the end, Iran lost roughly 160 billion from the oil sanctions, experienced runaway inflation and unemployment and had nearly 50 billion in assets frozen. These consequences were devastating, crippling the Iranian economy and making the nuclear deal a less damaging alternative than economic standstill.

Serious sanctions were also applied to Russia after it seized Crimea from Ukraine and backed pro-Russian Rebels in eastern Ukraine in 2014. These sanctions “restrict access to Western financial markets and services for designated Russian state-owned enterprises in the banking, energy, and defense sectors ... place an embargo on exports to Russia of designated high-technology oil exploration and production equipment ... [place] an embargo on exports to Russia of designated military and dual-use goods.” Further sanctions were added in 2016, expanding the list of sanctioned individuals and businesses in an effort to prevent curtail attempts to evade previous sanctions. Unlike the Iranian sanctions, the Russian sanctions “are intended to exert long-term pressure on Russia and not to push it ‘over the economic cliff.’”

On top of country-wide sanctions, sanctions can also be leveled against private individuals. The United States does this frequently and with huge numbers of private individuals. While this might not have the same systemic effect that country-wide sanctions have, it can still hinder individuals who are escaping justice or engaging in terrorism and encourage powerful government leaders to reach a deal.

In comparison to military intervention, diplomatic interventions are less costly to the United States in both money and blood. Researchers believe that the war in Iraq could cost upwards of six trillion dollars in long term costs, and this doesn’t even consider the sheer trauma of losing 4,637 soldiers in the line of duty, disabled veterans, the high suicide rate of veterans returning, the massive number of Iraq civilians killed (roughly between 100,000 and 500,000) and the extensive destabilization of the region. Vietnam and Afghanistan have had similar outcomes as well.

In the end, of course, you can’t put a price on the safety of America and Americans, but the most consistently successful method should be the one tried first. In this case, that would be diplomacy. Diplomacy offers potential success beyond that of military intervention, without the expenditure of blood and money. Diplomacy offers to build up the image of United States on the world stage, without destroying it first.

Diplomacy is the way of the future — war should stay where it belongs: in the past.

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end of the rebuilding process. You can only get so much of the data during practice reps.

When you have the opportunity to see Bentley in game action and to gauge his present and future abilities, I think you should take advantage of that opportunity. There is no guarantee of how much longer you will have it.

Whereas McIlwain is more of a dual-threat option, Bentley is more of your prototypical pocket passer. In terms of pure arm strength and upside, he leads the three quarterbacks in South Carolina's stables.

After South Carolina's most recent loss to Texas A&M, Muschamp expressed that his primary concern on offense is his team's inability to vertically stretch the field with the passing game. After McIlwain managed to accumulate a mere 34 passing yards through three quarters of play, senior Perry Orth did manage to give the Gamecocks a more vertical dimension to their offense.

With Orth, the concern has never been his ability to manage the game and sling the ball downfield, but rather the mistakes that could coincide with those attempts to push the ball down field. While Orth would certainly have an advantage when it comes to experience and game managing, I'm not sure that having Bentley under center would look much different.

There are pieces currently on this team and coming in the future that can develop a formidable pass-heavy air attack. Freshman Bryan Edwards has flashed the physicality and speed to be a dangerous deep-ball threat. Four-star 2017 commit OrTre Smith also looks like he could fit that blueprint.

Bentley has all the raw ingredients for South Carolina to build that kind of offense around him. Time is such a limited resource in this game, and it would be a shame to waste it all because of something as arbitrary as class distinction.

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and looking down the bench and saying, 'How the heck am I on the sideline against Mike Krzyzewski?'"

The players themselves seem excited at the opportunity to take on such strong opponents. Senior guard Duane Notice put great importance on those games.

"Being a kid growing up, watching college basketball, playing those type of teams, powerhouses and big-name schools, has always been an experience that we have all probably looked forward to," he said.

The games against Syracuse and Seton Hall will both take place in the New York City area, with South Carolina taking on Syracuse in Barclays Arena and Seton Hall in Madison Square Garden. The location of these games is important for the future of this program for the opportunity it presents along recruiting lines.

"We recruit New York, so we are up there all the time ... I want to try and schedule games there as often as we can," Martin said.

Wins in these games could do more than just bolster this year's resume for the NCAA Tournament. The special thing about games against college basketball powerhouses is the effect a win over one can have on the overall future of a program.

A game against a team such as Syracuse, taking place in one of the meccas of high school recruits, has the power to do more than just boost South Carolina's RPI. It has the chance to emblazon Martin's program in the minds of all high school recruits in the area. It has the power to thrust Martin's program into the college basketball spotlight. And it offers big game experience to players that, come the SEC tournament or NCAA tournament further down the road, could pay massive dividends.

For players like Sindarius Thornwell, who has said his dream has always been to play in Madison Square, these big non-conference games are not just another game. Martin knows this, and knows the effects that these games can have on the success of his current team and the future success of his program.

Look to see how South Carolina fares in these games, because the outcome might be more far-reaching than just the final scores.

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The run game has seen limited success with big plays here and there, but for the most part, extended drives have been few and far between.

Orth has the ability to change that. With his ability to read defenses and get the ball out quick, he is able to take a lot of pressure off the struggling offensive line.

With his ability to throw accurately downfield, he can get the ball into the hands of Bryan Edwards and Deebo Samuel, two of the Gamecocks most prolific offensive weapons.

As South Carolina enters the thick of its schedule, more than anything, the experience and maturity offered by Orth is the greatest reason to start him. From the very onset of the game last Saturday, McIlwain looked nervous. He seemed slow to make his reads, he panicked when faced with pressure and his youth showed.

Orth has been here before. He has faced the top defenses in the country. He has played well in big games such as the Clemson game last year. And he can do it again.

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each other. McIlwain is a more mobile quarterback, averaging 20 yards rushing per game, but Orth is a better passer. McIlwain demonstrates impressive composure and leadership for his age, but Orth has already fully developed these qualities and has more experience.

I advise the Gamecocks to take the term "rebuilding year" more literally. Take advantage of lower expectations, and therefore lower pressure, to start building McIlwain into a star quarterback this season.

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Taurus

Collect accounts receivable and pay bills. A project's completion opens up time for something more fun. Reinforce your structure. Listen to experience. Master the rules before deviating.

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Leo

Use your wit and charm. Patience and discipline also serve you well. Persuade a person who's been waffling to join a collaboration by expressing your passion.

Virgo

Focus on what's best for your family. Play by the rules, and pull together. Listen to an experienced friend's suggestions. Add love for an unexpected bonus.

Libra

This is not a good time to learn the hard way. Stay in communication and keep your word. Talk about what you're going through, and listen carefully.

Scorpio

Keep in action and cash flows in. Plant constructive seeds. Balance work with rest, exercise and good food. Accept advice from loved ones (especially children).

Sagittarius

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Capricorn

Keep your wildest ideas private for now. Go ahead and dream; make plans and list the necessary steps. Stick to practical tasks and watch expenses. Visualize perfection.

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25 Stick in  
26 Follows  
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29 Beach shelter  
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WHO SHOULD BE THE STARTING QUARTERBACK

Jake Bentley



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South Carolina coach Will Muschamp didn't explicitly mention any plans to redshirt freshman quarterback Jake Bentley when asked about the scenario during his mid-week conference, but in all likelihood that is the path the coaching staff will take with the former four-star recruit.

Given the Gamecocks' current quarterback situation — specifically with Brandon McIlwain, who has taken the majority of snaps under center for the Gamecocks this season, lumped into the same class as Bentley — redshirting Bentley would make sense according to conventional football wisdom.

I don't expect Bentley to see the field this season, but I am not sure I believe in that line of logic — at least not in this specific situation.

Redshirting Bentley would enable the Gamecocks to develop a layer of class distinction between their two prized young quarterbacks. That artificial barrier is supposed to act as a security net to prevent one of their young talents from transferring.

But the concept of class distinction is kind of like a band-aid — it is only a temporary solution.

In 2017, when Bentley is a redshirt freshman and McIlwain is a sophomore, this issue isn't going to disappear, it is only going to be magnified. After sitting out a season Bentley is only going to be more ready to assume a starting role. And after taking his lumps as a freshman in the SEC, McIlwain will be looking to take the next step forward and solidify himself as the long-term starting quarterback for South Carolina.

Look no further than Texas A&M's quarterback carousel to see just how effective class distinction can be. In 2015, the Aggies possessed two elite quarterback talents in then-freshman Kyler Murray and then-sophomore Kyle Allen. Both were ranked the top player for their position out of high school in their respective classes. Both transferred following 2015.

Granted, Texas A&M got a pretty good consolation prize in Trevor Knight, but they still prove that class distinction is a myth. Unfortunately, there is no magic wand that will allow South Carolina to permanently hoard both of their quarterbacks. The best way to do that is to have a clear dialogue and roadmap between the coaching staff and both quarterbacks — and still, sometimes that isn't enough.

So with no way to guarantee that Bentley or McIlwain won't leave next year or even two years down the road, I think the focus has to be centered around gathering data about who will be the best quarterback for the Gamecocks at the

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Perry Orth



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With the South Carolina football team sitting at 2-3 and losing two of those games in a row, something needs to change. And for coach Will Muschamp and this Gamecock team, that something is the true freshman quarterback that continues to start despite continued lackluster performance.

What this football team needs is an experienced leader and a quarterback who can open up this stagnant Gamecock offense. Perry Orth is the only quarterback on the roster that fits that description.

One of Orth's strongest parts of his game is his ability to throw downfield, which he put on full display against Texas A&M last week. Though only given the opportunity to lead the offense for the fourth quarter, under his direction, the South Carolina offense managed more yards than any one quarter prior.



Graphic by Greer Schneider

In just three drives, Orth was able to go 11-18 for 138 yards and a 125.5 passer rating. McIlwain, who led the offense for the first three quarters of the game, managed to throw for just 34 yards and an interception.

Outside of head-to-head statistics, the issue at quarterback must be viewed through a wider lens: Is the team as a whole succeeding in the present, and, if not, where are areas for improvement?

Right now, Muschamp's team is not succeeding. The games are close and the Gamecocks are hanging in against very good teams, but they are not winning. That is something that cannot be disputed.

Much of the blame has to be directed at this offense. The defense has done its part, holding high-octane offenses like that of the Aggies in check, but the offense has not. With McIlwain at quarterback, South Carolina's offense has become one-dimensional.

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Brandon McIlwain



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After a frustrating loss to No. 9 Texas A&M that saw only one Gamecock touchdown, considering making a change at quarterback is a reasonable response. Nevertheless, Perry Orth should not take Brandon McIlwain's place as starting quarterback.

Statistically, neither quarterback stands out as an obvious starter. McIlwain has completed about 53 percent of his passes, while Orth has completed about 57 percent. McIlwain has a pass efficiency rating of 102.10, while Orth's rating is 111.73. Both have thrown one interception.

When two quarterbacks appear about equal on paper, age should be the tiebreaker.

McIlwain has almost four seasons left to build his game and develop maturity. As a senior, Orth has most likely reached his ceiling, and any

improvements he does make over the course of this season will be useless to the Gamecocks next year.

If Orth can transform from a walk-on to a viable option for starting quarterback over four years, imagine what McIlwain, a four-star recruit, can do in the same amount of time.

The state of Gamecock football lends itself to starting a freshman quarterback. There is no better season to take a chance.

Right now, South Carolina stands 2-3, just a last-minute field goal away from being winless in the SEC. The Gamecocks' remaining opponents include three Top-25 teams. To put it simply, a bowl appearance is elusive at best.

The Gamecocks have little to lose and a lot to gain by starting McIlwain. If he makes a few costly mistakes and the Gamecocks end up with some unexpected losses, the average fan will not be much more disappointed. Years from now,

this season and the two before it will become a blur of mediocrity for most fans. Taking the opportunity to develop McIlwain into a quarterback that cannot simply play but truly compete in SEC play gives the Gamecocks a chance to have seasons that fans will remember with pride for years to come.

Moreover, head coach Will Muschamp and most of the coaching staff are in their first years in Columbia. Even with the SEC's coaching climate, one bowl-less season will not put their jobs in jeopardy.

McIlwain should start for the Gamecocks and play the majority of each game. Confidence is key for a quarterback. Taking such a young player out of the starting lineup will make him insecure and negatively affect his ability to lead.

However, Orth should still be a key part of the team's offensive strategy. The two complement

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\*Correction: Adam's pick was Tennessee last week, while Abe's was Georgia.



Georgia’s backfield, Sanders could cause problems for South Carolina in rivalry



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Georgia running backs Sony Michel (left) and Nick Chubb (right) have been carving up SEC defenses since 2014, combining for 4,487 yards in their collegiate careers.

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Coming off a loss to Texas A&M that was closer than the score showed, South Carolina plans to take on Georgia Saturday, who dropped out of the Top 25 after a heartbreaking last-second Hail Mary loss to Tennessee.

On the defensive side, the Bulldogs have one of the best safeties in the SEC in Dominick Sanders. While he hasn’t had as many opportunities for interceptions as he did last season (he led the SEC in picks last season), he’s still a premier ball-hawk, and whoever plays quarterback for the Gamecocks will have to pay close attention to the middle of the field where Sanders prowls.

A part of Georgia’s defense that

has severely struggled is their pass rush. Through five games they have only garnered six sacks, good for second to last in the conference. The South Carolina offensive line has had its struggles giving their quarterback time in the backfield, but Saturday’s game might be easier providing protection for whoever will be the signal caller.

Other than Sanders, there really aren’t any household names on this side of the ball, but the offensive team is a different story.

True freshman and former five-star quarterback Jacob Eason has taken over the quarterback position after Greyson Lambert wasn’t cutting it for head coach Kirby Smart. Even though he’s had to rush to make throws on multiple occasions since his offensive line

has played subpar, he still has recorded close to 1,000 yards and seven touchdowns in the five games he’s played, picking up over a three-fourths of those numbers in the past two games against Tennessee and Ole Miss. While he isn’t quite a top-tier quarterback just yet, his potential and playmaking ability shines.

And he really doesn’t need to be when he’s got two of the best running backs helping him out in the ground game.

With once Heisman hopeful Nick Chubb still trying to recover from a nagging ankle injury, Sony Michel and Brian Herrien have stepped up to make up for Chubb’s absence. While Chubb’s contribution is uncertain Saturday, South Carolina still has to worry about the other

two. Herrien, a true freshman, has run for 265 yards this season, and Michel has tacked on another 206. While these numbers might not be spectacular, both of them have big play speed and can out-maneuver anyone in the Gamecock defense.

Add in the monstrous Chubb who can knock anyone flat, and the backfield is easily Georgia’s strongest position.

As a whole, the Georgia game is a very winnable one, if the Gamecocks can exploit some of the Bulldogs’ offensive and defensive weaknesses while limiting their backfield.

Weather pending, the game will be Saturday night in Williams-Brice at 7:30 p.m., however, Hurricane Matthew might force a change in schedule.

BEHIND ENEMY LINES

An interview with Georgia’s Red & Black’s John Durham

Ahead of Saturday’s matchup between South Carolina and Georgia, managing editor Adam Orfinger got in touch with Red & Black’s sports editor John Durham to analyze the game from the Bulldogs’ perspective.

**TDG:** Georgia had an emotional roller coaster loss to Tennessee last week. How do you expect the Bulldogs to respond Saturday against South Carolina?

**JD:** Honestly after such a crazy game against Tennessee, I’m not sure how Georgia will respond. Kirby Smart came in with this “24-hour rule” in which the players and coaches forget about the previous game 24 hours after it occurred. They won’t talk about it or bring it up. I think it’ll take longer than 24 hours to get over this past game though. The last two weeks have been as low as you could possibly get as a football team. They were blown out of the water against Ole Miss and lost that heartbreaker to the Vols this weekend. If anything, Kirby will get his team going headed into a rivalry game against South Carolina.

**TDG:** Jacob Eason struggled mightily on the

road against Ole Miss. How do you expect the true freshman to fare against a hostile Williams-Brice crowd at night?

**JD:** I don’t think it will come easy for Eason this Saturday night. The South Carolina defense and fans will be all over the freshman quarterback the entire game. For all the good Eason has done this year, he’s also made some big mistakes this year. He hasn’t taken care of the ball particularly well, either, with four interceptions. I think the freshman will make some mistakes in the hostile environment.

**TDG:** What’s the expectation for the Georgia running game? Does it even matter if Nick Chubb can’t go, or is Sony Michel good enough to pick up the slack?

**JD:** I think the expectations for the Georgia running game are pretty high coming into this game. The run game has been up and down all year, with good games against UNC and Tennessee and underwhelming performances against Nicholls State and Ole Miss. If Chubb misses this game, I don’t think it will make much of a difference. Michel, Brian Herrien and

Elijah Holyfield have all shown they are more than capable of picking up the slack when called upon at certain times this year, especially the freshman Herrien. He’ll get his touches even if Chubb does play.

**TDG:** South Carolina has given up a lot of yards defensively this season, but the Gamecocks have done a good job keeping points off the board. How is Georgia planning to attack the South Carolina defense?

**JD:** It’s no secret how Georgia will want to attack South Carolina’s defense. As Nick Chubb said earlier this year, “we’re Georgia, we’re going to run the ball.” Georgia is going to pound the ball and keep it out of the freshman Jacob Eason’s hands as much as they can.

**TDG:** Fill in the blanks: Georgia will win if \_\_\_\_\_.

South Carolina will win if \_\_\_\_\_.

**JD:** Georgia will win if Eason can stay cool under the pressure of a hostile environment and South Carolina will win if they stop the Georgia run game and force Eason into mistakes.

Strong non-conference schedule source of excitement, focus for men’s basketball



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In the months leading up to the men’s basketball season, much will be made of South Carolina’s strong non-conference schedule against many of the perennial powerhouses of college basketball.

With the likes of Syracuse, Michigan and Seton Hall featured as early season non-conference foes, this season will in no way be similar to the 16-0 cakewalk that was the start of last season.

A lighthearted Frank Martin said, “I hope they don’t react like I did the first time I played against the blue bloods in college basketball. I remember coming out and standing on the sideline